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During the week of February 25-March 1, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service announced 2 commodity purchases totaling 2,854,750 pounds at a cost of $3,660,000.

The purchases were: frozen fried batter/breaded chicken patties and canned tuna.

All purchases were for school lunch and other domestic feeding programs with the bulk going to the school lunch program.

Offers were invited for: Canned tuna and canned pork.

Those needing additional information should contact the Contracting Officer, Livestock Division - telephone (202) 447-2650; Contracting Officer, Commodity Procurement Branch, Poultry Division - telephone (202) 447-7693; or Commodity Procurement Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Division - telephone (202) 447-4517, (depending upon commodity involved), AMS, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250.

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WEEK'S PURCHASES					OFFERS INVITED		
Commodity	Quantity 1/ (1,000 lbs.)	Cost 1/ ($1,000)	Award range 2/	Shipping period	Bids due	Acceptance by	Shipping period
Chicken patties	1,558 (15,618)	1,991 (20,284)	$1.2539-1.3122	Mar 31-Apr 6	"PROGRAM COMPLETED"		
Tuna, canned	1,297 (2,269)	1,669 (2,916)	$24.93-31.83	Apr 7-13	Mar 11	Mar 15	Apr 21-27
Pork, canned		"NONE"			Mar 18	Mar 22	Apr 28-May 4

1/ Upper figure is current week's purchase. Lower figure, in parentheses, is cumulative total for the ongoing purchase program. Chicken patty program announced June 29; canned tuna program announced Jan 31.

2/ In dollars per pound--except canned tuna--dollars per case.

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AWARDS

CHICKEN PATTIES

COMPANY & F.O.B. DESTINATION	NO. LBS.	PRICE $/LB.
BLUE COACH FOODS		
VINELAND, NJ		
CINCINNATI, OH	38,000	1.2600
CLEVELAND, OH	38,000	1.2600
BARRETT FOOD CORP.		
MASPETH, NY		
NAMPA, ID	76,000	1.2539
HOPKINS, MN	38,000	1.2539
MILWAUKEE, WI	38,000	1.2539
N. STRABANE, PA	38,000	1.2539
WESTBURY, NY	228,000	1.2539
EAU CLAIRE, WI	38,000	1.2539
GREEN BAY, WI	38,000	1.2539
JACKSONVILLE, FL (F.A.S.)	76,000	1.2539
HOLLAND, MI	76,000	1.2539
HI-BRAND FOODS		
GARDENA, CA		
LOS ANGELES, CA	152,000	1.2950
ZARTIC, INC.		
CEDARTOWN, GA		
TUPELO, MS	76,000	1.2599
DALLAS, TX	38,000	1.2744
HOUSTON, TX	76,000	1.2733
SACRAMENTO, CA	266,000	1.3122
MOTT'S INC. OF MISSISSIPPI		
WATER VALLEY, MS		
HELENA, MT	38,000	1.3074
SALT LAKE CITY, UT	76,000	1.3021
LOS ANGELES, CA (F.A.S.)	114,000	1.3093

CANNED TUNA

COMPANY/PROCESSING POINT & F.O.B. DESTINATION	NO. CASES	PRICE $/CASE
66.5 oz. cans:		
Mitsubishi Foods (MC), Inc.		
Ponce, PR		
Nebraska City, NE	23,400	31.83
Total Awarded 23,400 Cases		
Star-Kist Foods, Inc.		
Mayaguez, PR		
Jessup, MO	15,600	31.60
Total Awarded - 15,600 Cases		
12.5 oz. cans:		
Star-Kist Foods, Inc.		
Mayaguez, PR		
Kansas City, KS	17,290	24.93
Total Awarded - 17,290 Cases		